

REMARKS

Prior to examination, please amend the application as indicated.

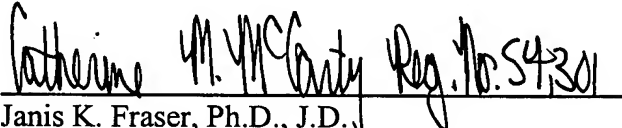
Applicants amended the specification to provide the priority claim. Applicants also amended claims 3-7, 13, 14, and 16-22, and cancelled claim 15. Claims 1-14 and 16-22 are presented for examination.

Applicants believe the application is in condition for allowance, which action is requested.

Applicants submit herewith a check for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 06275-427US1.

Respectfully submitted,

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